StatsUpdate

Topic: **Police Officers**
2012
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Background: In 2012, Nunavut had **125** police officers, down by **5** police officers since 2011. All three territories had the highest rate of police officers per 100,000 population compared with the provinces.

Detail:

Police Officers by Province and Territory[1]

	2012		2011		2011 to 2012	
	number	rate[2]	number	rate[2]	% change in number	% change in rate
Nunavut	**125**	**398**	**130**	**402**	**-3.8**	**-1.2**
Canada	**69,539**	**206**	**69,424**	**206**	**0.2**	**0.1**
Newfoundland & Labrador	926	186	935	187	-1.0	-0.5
Prince Edward Island	247	168	244	166	1.2	1.4
Nova Scotia	1,934	209	1,914	208	1.0	0.6
New Brunswick	1,364	189	1,377	189	-0.9	0.0
Quebec	15,992	203	15,802	201	1.2	1.2
Ontario	26,274	197	26,387	198	-0.4	-0.4
Manitoba	2,706	213	2,593	209	4.4	1.9
Saskatchewan	2,298	219	2,306	220	-0.3	-0.2
Alberta	6,787	188	6,696	187	1.4	0.5
British Columbia	8,887	197	8,952	198	-0.7	-0.4
Yukon	119	374	122	367	-2.5	1.8
Northwest Territories	199	482	197	466	1.0	3.5
Province/Territory Total	**67,858**	**199**	**67,655**	**201**	**0.3**	**-0.8**
RCMP Headquarters and Training Academy	1,681	...	1,769	...	-5.0	...

Notes:
[1] The RCMP is responsible for providing police services in the territories.
[2] Rate per 100,000 population.
... Not available.

Note to Readers:
Readers should be aware that the percentage change figures for Nunavut are a reflection of the relatively small numbers of police officers. If the percentage figures were to continue to increase over a number of reporting periods and/or remain at a higher level, that would be a better indication of an increased number and rate of police officers.

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